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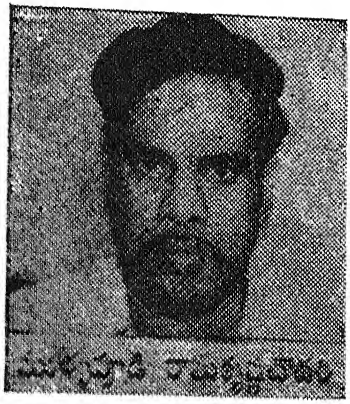

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Innocent is beauty
The beauty is bounty

INCLINATION

Knows no God nor ghost nor fire nor fear,
Knows no, 'you', nor 'I' nor dear nor near,
No power nor captiousness nor motion,
Nor aspiration nor inspiration.

Neither ethnical nor prudence,
No receptivity nor 'ism',
Knows no enchant nor milius,
Objuscates none nor cleavages.

Dapples no more he on his bib,
No more smirk in his slumber seen,
No more his eyes in glimmer sheen,
Neither soft skin nor tender rib.

No need of woollen bonnet nor napkin,
No mackinthosh nor flammelette blicker,
No need of wicker basket nor cradle,
No need of woollen jersy nor nicker.

Satan in his body, devil in his vein,
Beastly ghost in soul, ghostly beast in brain,
"Why" injected in his muscle,
"How" terminated in puzzle.

"Revenge" inserted in heart,
"Knowledge" culminated in part,
On way knowledge augment,
In way pleasure lament.

Acme his brain voices,
Least his joy rejoices.
Maturity attains,
Savage beauty retains.

Consummation sustain,
Calamities align,
The greater the senses,
The wider the menace.

To morrow

Inclination stretch out ten-fold,
Scope and hope perilously hold,
Buzzing morning hours, foggy days,
Crowded evenings, stingy nights.

Galloping miles slanting to poll,
Now and then leaping to near goal,
Place rockets on his head,
Atoms and Hydrozens spread.

Submerines in his paunch,
To mock the mob blessing launch,
Sapience, how far drag these men ?
Of malice and cloven hoop spun.

Knowledge premeates in illusions,
Illusion alludes while reasons,
Too late to find the fading rose,
Too early for aurora rise.

Unheard the humming bees homeward,
Unseen squirrel flora and bard,
Oh, Sapience, fly far away,
Hide, hide, somewhere, none sway.

While Nature and child to-gether,
In rapacity in glimmer.
Ignorance to all a security
Unexpand mental maturity

Let great brains bubble no more and no more pain

THE MANCHINEEL TREE

The breezy winds on floating waves,
Unending bellows hurl over,
The curls on sandy shore shape,
Appear and disappear in course.

Between water and air beyond,
The sinking sun with crimson colour
Sliding down like glowing globe,
While particles shine in twilight.

A tossing yatch unseen and seen,
An eagle's note unheard and heard,
A crowling crab bathes in and out,
A whale loiters in the effigy.

A smiling baby with her parents,
Pensioners with their obedient aids,
Teenagers team for friendly gossip,
Resort with conscious and full content.

The distant high mountain range green,
The tree and creaper alike at length,
Hidden cruel and tender equal,
Nature differentiate none.

Self sacrifice, self reliance,
Sympathy and kindness rely,
The fear of god for immoral deed,
The land blessed with super eminance.

Oh look ; a moving flagstaff like,
Visible to eagle eye,
Tossing over on the tide,
On ebb and tide converge to shore.

Curiosity aggrandizes
While approaches contiguity,
At high tide envigorates it,
At distance touches the shore

An impervious box it is,
When lands, shore like earthquack,
Climate veers, terrific thunder,
Dreaden spark , Nature amazes.

Fierce winds, cyclone, pouring rain,
Earth shives, lives confuse and stare,
Falcyon weather evaporate,
"Coming events cast their shadows".

Dark everywhere, dark everywhere,
Dark everywhere, dark everywhere,

Unseen previous pleasure,
Unmind precious glory,
Unknown previous content,
Untouch previous nature.

The second between God and evil,
The second between good and bad,
The second between long and short
The second between light and dark,

None dare to touch, none dare to near,
None dare to see,none known before,
Violent wind-storm quite and calm,
Mid-night sparkling star up in the sky.

Curiosity increases,
Curiosity uncontrol,
Curiosity contemplates,
Alone to good or to evil.

Curiosity pinches dareness,
Dareness incourse of action
Creates mean or high deed,
Nature emits or swallows.

Dareness disclose, the known as box,
Known as Pandora's box in the yore,
More hazard than Adam's Apple,
With vices all, laden the box.

From box initiate avarice,
With flora and panorama,
Illuminating the cosmos,
Obscure, the darkness behind.

Prevail in the land like air,
Next away lust and wrath and lie,
Cheat and cruelty and jeolous,
Until now unknown to this land.

Avarice in high tone says,
"I pervade everywhere,
"Wrath in the tongue,
"Lust in the organ,

"Cruelty in the heart,
"Jealous in the eye,
"Lie in the ear,
"Cheat in the hand,

"We have thousand hands,
"Others only one.
"Rapid expand our motto,
"Retain and live with man,

"None will controll nor conceal,
"Our revenge against enemy.
"We have many attractions,
"We have many easy methods,

"We have many joyful things,
"We have many sources,
"One source creates many,
"Many to multimillion,

"You never, against each other,
"You encourage the other to be,
The others stipulate the other ,
"Our vigor multify in time,

"None outmanoeuvre us in lead.
"Go, go around the world,
"To all sides, to all corners,
"Pursue the innocents,

"Neglect none, leave none,
"Loot and plunder, kill and massacre,
"Create insecure life in dungeon,"
In stingy cell, malodour,

With gamblers and ramblers,
Limbo busy with screaming girls,
Fighting teenagers, cheating queans,
Selling children, pawning wives.

Earning uncertain, insecure life,
Mean enjoyment with cheap liquor,
Wanted rotation left undone,
Ignore the best left of the yore.

Listen none about wisdom,
Obey malevolence in face,
Power mongers by fire and arson,
Terrify human race pertain,

Past buried, future forgot,
Present sustain, drink and drink,
Lust, lust, nothing except lust,
Future and hope, bad men's bowl.

Uncontrol expenses increase,
Limited potentials decrease,
Search for new source, neglect old,
Deprived of traditional reel.

"Technology" from frigidity,
"Modern" from timidity,
A borrowed barrel tastes good,
Degenerate with their selfish lead.

The greedy hold the whip to dictate,
Express sympathy for poor,
Where they are, sustain and stayed
With shrinken poverty ever.

Elevation of poverty,
Elevation of terrorism,
Elevation of avarice,
From time to time stabilised.

Projects and process scribbled,
No proper plan, nor execution,
All these year, poverty on their tongue,
Diamonds and gold in their lounge.

Loan after loan, borrowed and unpaid,
Bow their heads to the creditor,
None to think nor to act, speech heard,
Approaching misfortune ignore.

Cunny plan laid, for more distress,
To more suppress the nation,
Avarice burden, force abate,
"Silver flowers, golden fruits".

Cut the gardens, removed the woods,
New land levelled the uneven,
With increasing speed and spirit,
Every cornor, in every part.

Free seed, free seed, full supply,
Brought on credit card, distributed,
Sowed the seed, result unknown,
"Unknown tree gives unknown fruit".

"Silver flowers, golden fruit"
The slogan on every lip,
Vibrates on the land and water,
A maniac persuasion.

For gold, for more gold in reverie,
For lust, for more lust in illusory,
In their mind, in their blood, in their heart,
"Silver flowers, Golden fruits" permeate.

Ignore the rejection of wisdom,
Imprison the competence,
Disregard the book and file,
In avarice, blind fold the nation.

The sown seed develop to plant,
The plant to tree in vernal years,
While watering the plant, look deeply,
While manures live in gaze at hopes.

The three years as three centuries,
Watch, examine and dream, spent heart,
Prostrate sight on ticking wall clock,
"Silver flowers, Golden fruits, rise high.

The forestry hail all over,
Green evolution expand,
The shoots come out to flower,
Wait in anxiety for the bud.

The cock forgets to crow,
The hourglass neglect to flow,
The sun hesitates to glow,
The plants vegetate slow.

Still shoots out, shoots out,
No flower nor bud seen,
Feel a day as a year,
Feel a year as a century.

Oh god, never pray you before,
Now beg for fruition of effort,
Relay hindrance from the heart,
"West never prays only begs".

From new shoot, out little bud,
Infinite buds emit pungent smell,
The bigger the bud, the greater the smell,
The mal-odour spreads on earth.

The trunk grown in square, unusual,
The gummy bark spout liquid,
The stingy liquid venomous,
When reach, the skin burn to brown.

The noted danger over shadow,
The distant unnoticed one,
Needy and greedy stare at,
As the Manchineel tree known.

Dictated provoked and such deed,
Unleashed for the innocent folk,
The earth in gloom, unknown future,
Confused conduct to evade the state.

The brink of self-distruction ahead.
Inevitable catastrophe,
Inadvertent intellectuals contact,
Mass, polite and humble reunite

Revenge in vein of melancholy
All groves burned to brown ashes,
And merge the dust in the ocean
All together hand in hand.

Devert nation to wrong views
Encourage wrong deed to mean,
Develope wrong thoughts to lean,
Sects go into action,

Eumenides for treson,
Disspation of submerge pose,
Vacillate the decision,
Efficacy to condemnation.

Patriarch decision,
Faithful eloquences,
Resolution resorts,
Mind, heart and soul alert.

"Unbelieve the foreigner,
"Unfaith in the promise,
"No deliberation,
"No truth in the sermon.

"No stability in the goods,
"No charitity in the deed,
"Only clever business,
"Only selfish business.

They loot wealth,
They loot health,
They loot the brain,
In avarice.

Cooperate each other,
Self-sacrifice for good,
Mind the neighbour,
Mend the fellow being.

For family sake
Sacrificed yourself,
Today need for society,
The society in the grip of woe.

Ragnorok over yesterdy,
Kaliyuga ends tomorrow,
Today we dwell under evil,
Greed, lust wrath and jealous.

"To give is more joyful,
Than to take".

Odour and glitter never filter

SHROUD

How you will be?
Where will be?
I need you fervently of you in deed,
Boister me in enthusiam to lead.

Like yankee bustle down on the flatform,
Hasty and scurry mind as thirsty warm,
Peeps in every corner, in every shop,
Touch every poll like Dr. Johnson to clap.

In narrow lanes, cycle and steer the car,
Step into rail and up fly far and far,
Jumbo in the cloud, sputnick in welkin,
Satellite in centre. saluz in glean.

Sail across the continent, dash dire wave,
Dip unfathomable, ancor stark brave,
How you will be?
Where you will be?

Woods and forest I stroll, hill and mountain,
Vales and dales saunter, berry tops sustain,
Hamlets, villages towns and cities roam,
Grass, bushes, plants, trees parks and beaches clean

Art gallery, music hall, casino clubs,
Face decorated dais and stingy pubs,
Tornedos, storm cyclones rain tide waves,
Wild winter winds, summer rays chilly breeze.

Do you hide in famous omar Kayyam,
You irk in Shelly or veil in Keat"s poem,
Oh, I find you no where, oh aching age,
Oh Fairy, Oh Diabolic tell me stage.

Who will ? who will stitch pocket in the shroud?
For gold and rare diamonds suck and store proud,
Who is the tailor? where is he? come, quick,
Before arrive the final hour to kick.

Still bigger, pockets, still bigger,
Posses still more, still more, and still more more,
Heaps of precious stones hoards of Midas gold,
Lied in safety locker, freely earned bold.

How you will be?
Where you will be?
Lamenation blimmer, turmoil brain,

And drowsy I as hemlock, inebriate,
Collapased to bottom as death unfuriate,
A gentle fragrance breeze conscious awake,
At last, you seen, at last to a drudged rake.

Oh Diana it is you, I well you known,
Come quick and stitch pockets in my shroud blown,
Not late yet, come quick and take needle,
As many you can, sew in no riddle.

In your abode hungry cry all over,
But proud for little arrogance higher,
Afraid of penury a repulsive pain,
Mental and physial pursuit invain.

Do help me to pocket my earnings hard,
Compensate laborious work regard,
Oh Diana aid me to hide my wealth,
Please stitch pocket as big as need the length.

"Be patience, be patience, greedy man old,
"A charity pocket see in your shroud,
Preserve all in your earning in socket,
The shroud with charity fly in rocket.

Repent grave sins done, hope good for next life,
Be content to calm death for your relief,
In shroud no inserts but kindness,
Peace Dharma protect in wilderness.

Like in need , unmoved lizard

Virtue and honesty disgrace
Money and vices race

HEAD AND TAIL

Head bites the tail, in veins selfish fill,
The tail hits on head red, forfeit will,
Bite and hit long severe, blood ungrill.

The need neigh in nightmare, to glimmer,
Think once, think again to brighter,
Who drags who, to flicker?

"No head - no tail", to know in Nature,
Unfeed the greedy grip in feature,
Think and rethink to note in future.

Oh look, an eagle's eager, rest on tree,
Then flirt to greeny bush, to unglee,
Watches bites and hits, with happy.

The eagle saunters nearer not to truce,
But to fuel their fight to reduce,
Helpless they, lie in gore in mere bruise.

To separate forever, they consent,
Cut he into two with resentment,
The head from tail or tail from head meant.

Two into four (HMCC) to devour unharden.
Timely split in athena shorten,
The Nature and future unburden.

The deed in time to need to futile,
Unblurr before machine unlike tail,
Nor head, arrogant to brutal.

Flourish existed good The the world live longer

Face the deed brave
Small or big ungrieve

RIGHT OR LEFT

Terenity in young,
Sober in infant,
Serenity in old,
All natural to chant.

Longing to sublime,
Desire for fame,
Gluttony to taste,
All natural to game.

A walk to run, a run to walk,
A hurry to slow, a slow to hurry,
A sad to joy, a joy to sad,
All natural to human scurry.

Left leans to right, right to left,
Unnatural excess grieves to reft.

Fate or time freezes physic unfair

APPELLATION

Settle on yellow sandy shore,
Perceive wearily water warp,
Await to rainbow unsore,
Decades to sidle on stone wharp.

Who push or pull into vertex,
Count the billows of the ocean,
Measure unfathomable,
Under wild waves whish cognition.

Deflection wide in fogy foam,
Infringe the scope in fetter hard,
Relinguish of glorious loam,
Effeminated tangle bard.

Vanishes away a fierce cyclone,
Ceases away a violent tempest,
Decreases a perilous storm moan,
All and all vitiated lest.

Oh look, oh look, a tornodo,
Over and above fly to rout,
Oh Naid sea Nymphs and thou,
Protect versatile mind from mute.

None see nor hear grievous wail,
Mispose curbed scope and boundless,
Engrave fantasy and ideal,
Scrible appellation to grope.

Adversity in fate - Deed in blare

LOVE'S LYRICAL LORE

LOVE, love, love love you say,
Is it a fist of dust lay,
Or breathe of air in lung,
Or bubble on edge hung.

Or talk of simple wry,
Or flame high in the sky,
Or shed of glorious past,
Or dubious future vast.

Or flow of vase antique wring,
Or quivering from loosened string,
Or flame of various hue blent,

Subsit none love's merger,
Nor sweet pill to scatter,
Nor glitter to unhide,
Nor word of frail lips wide,

Nor livid face of agony,
Nor waving hand in symphony,
Nor rattle continue in space,
Nor soul embrace unrace.

Out jumps he, with mien,
To know the truth like hungry lion,
His glowing red and wild glance,
Like taut and stubborn his lance.

Unheard a good console,
Nor cared timid scandal,
Begins his peregrination,
To fulfil his utmost notion.

Walks along the hot asphalts,
Watches the rows of oaks and vault,
Away he saunters sunny day,
Sojourn here and there on his way.

Roves for missing thought,
Asks and inquires the lot,
Looks the silver crowned hill,
Climbs there for his will.

Down he gazes vale sublime,
The valley of tranquil gleam,
Bewildered in his route,
In vain in his pursuit.

His frantic leads to near village,
Village of rough and savage,
Lags through dusty and filthy lane,
Unkempt the weary face insane.

Arrives at antique put amazed,
The qualm room cretonnes unfold,
Malodour of alchohal and smoke,
The ceiling of the cell clouds unsoak.

His notion as illusion sips,
Sway his appetite off his lips,
On stool he wryly sits, looks round,
Many may fetish unsound.

The table is full in spate,
But seats around vacant,
Alone he drinks, sits on stool.
Retain himself and mule.

Uncertain of views,
His efforts desperate use,
Illusion bound,
Hope hangs around.

Confuse and jumble sway,
Array the universal way,
A turbulent climate force,
Sparks and thunders away at morse.

Winds and rain together flow,
The earthly creatures blow,
A blonds with panting heart hies,
To warm the chill in fires.

Then stroll to empty stool,
Unnotice him in hurried soul,
Remotely stares and lisps voice,
"May I, please, a champagne choice?"

The barman offers a glass,
Settles and sips and gains the loss,
Recollects her scattered image,
Reviews her future liege.

Away with pleasing illusion,
Unto the depths of her notion,
Suddonly liquor drops sprinkle on her,
"Oh sorry" laments while wipes the blurrs,

"Never Mind" she says while cleanse
With kerchief, her woven frocks,
Looks she in his rugged face,
And finds his eyelids grace.

Her round face with eyes big,
Grey curles beautifies as wig,
Her simple smile and looks gentle,
Feels he ashamed for deed unmettle.

Offers and helps each other,
Acquaintance pertain to nurture,
Jokes cut and smiles array,
Acquiantance to friendship unbetray.

Hand in hand in misty rain sheen,
While paths and wither trees winter boon,
Whispers she in his ear,
Embraces he in his flare.

While she tickles,
The snow he sprikles,
The days passed away unknown,
The lives tedium blown.

Mountains, valleys and lakes,
The flowers fragrance flashes,
The bright tranguil sky,
Retain and witness their fly.

Ferocious winter unlease,
Hot foam springs release,
Intimacy grows . . . . .
Intimacy grows . . . . .

The vernal flower springs twice,
Inseparable couple price,
To one heart and soul,
Unfetter their whole.

The dead Albatross descends,
Eclipse on earth surrounds,
Image and illusion flow,
And thwart their warm to blow.

Detect none before known,
Nor courtesy shown,
The creak of the door, she looks,
The stool of her, he stares.

Every second watches for other,
But find neither beloved partner,
Imagine, think, and act unsound.
Attenuate their tedious mind.

Retard his passion stress,
Unmind his distress,
Thinks and desires he,
No more no more than she.

How many we see,
How many we like to be,
How many they like us,
How many get focus?

How many blossom remitted?
How many acquinted?
How far she or he runs away?
Unto the earth's unsway.

None runs away undebit,
Their service due to credit,
Escape not due to pay.
In one or other way.

The favour now, for future you do,
The gain you get, for the past due,
While the debt unclear,
Still each one need the dear.

If it "He"or "She" or "I" or "You",
Or "It" or "That" on earth to sue,
Unscan the planets govern,
Obey the good and bad concern.

Hate or love or good or bad,
Roll in time wheel onward,
In adverse Love or Gain,
Knows human mind to shine

Man made mixes in murky mud

A HAUNTING VULTURE

Serene and calm in crowded town,
Rays mercury and beams shine brown,
No bark nor grunt in air blow,
Vex and worry day slumbered slow.

A devil hour arises,
From distance, creaks and swisses,
Nearer still to bestile cone,
Starving vultures for carrion.

But carrion reject,
Warm blood and flash project.
"Seek and hide" game begin,
Thief or police none known.

Which is law which is not,
Change the track and thought,
Ignorance in pavillion,
Unknown to civilian.

Beating the innocent,
Slipping away culprit,
Convert idol into stone,
Stone left as naked bone,

Good to bad, bad to worse,
Act no more on spell or on curse,
Shout slogan until the law immerse,
Awake the mob to reverse.

Or beat until death to obey,
Or cypher in blood of say,
Law for law, fist for fist,
Is the law of Nature's wrist.

Always the innocent - the victim

Inconstancy - root of collapse

DEBRIS

Run run fast still faster,
Into deep, still deeper,
Agony and aghast,
Hasten to blaze and blast.

Flashed eyes of the invidious diadem,
Rancour in bottom, rancour in atom,
Where lies Roman empire, British sceptre,
Scrape in debris of vicious bier.

Their turn to gain - our turn to loose

LIFE'S CIRCLE

Ring, ring, ring,
A note ding-dong
Ting, tong, tang,
A blurring bang.

Bring, bring, bring,
A wedding ring,
Hurry hurry hurry,
For crazy cozy.

Worry, worry, worry,
About naughty,
Sorry, sorry, sorry,
To unmarry.

Moon, moon, moon,
To honey moon,
Loan, loan, loan,
A babe, alone.

Leave the nature as it is,
Accept it as it is,
Enjoy it as it is.

CRADLE

Under a banian tree,
A little thatched grey hut,
On bough hang a cradle,
In lay a baby smirk.

Restrains his mother work
Quite simple and unfeigned,
A puppy drowsy near,
A hen crackles with chicks.

A crow on bough peeps down,
A piccotah creaks sharp,
The water goggles loud,
A bloomy rose with thorn.

And a basil beside,
The fresh bleeze blows gentle,
Nature around her home,
A home blessed with content.

The baby cries aloud,
To her shoulder she leans,
Smooth pat on his back,
In vain the effort meek.

Eager, worry raise top,
At last, notice ant's bite,
Rubs she on spot and lulls,
The baby on her lap.

Silken lips suck her breast,
Motherly tenderness,
Her joy rejoices her heart,
That is motherliness.

Kisses him and pats him,
With palm tender again,
Gazes she in his eyes,
Again until hardship.

Succumbs in THE TIME
Feminity a boon,
Awhile in this Nature,
Man nurtures and protects.

While nourishes she, trends,
To Right to fit on earth.

Strenuous deeds never in vain

The deed the great, the great the deed

YGGDRASIL

A greedy jack, son of a window,
Reciprocates her pious cow,
For mere hatful beans, in dolorous state,
She threw thro window, next day, she finds,

A mighty tree, known as yggdrasil,
Connects hell, earth, and heaven.
Jack climbs up, a fairy directs
To the abode of a giant, killer his father.

Reposes with his glorious wonders,
A hen lays golden eggs, a self playing harp
And dazzling diamonds, quickly climbs down,
The giant wakes up, pursues to the root,

The yggdrasil at root,
The tree and the giant fell and died,
Plagiarise as Christmas tree,
Or Maypole remain with them.

Console and bravery pour in daring truth

The time and the age have infinite race

NO TOMORROW

Fly fly in the air on cloud,
Fly fly in the air on jet,
Swim, swim in the sea with mein,
Swim, swim in the sea on steam-sail.

Run, run, in land on lion,
Crush crush the dove under feet.
Hold, hold the neck of the devil,
Throw thro the bomb on the labs,

Throw thro the gift on the labs.
Destroy, destroy the A and H bombs,
Survive, survive the Nature to all,
Survive survive the Nature to none.

A dared dead not in adventurous voyage
But to rescue other's bondage

None will see to - morrow
Because it protects sorrow

HOPE

Let not spirits drown or drain,
Let nitid waves unperturb,
Deed strenuous never in vain,
Derivation in superb.

To forget today, hope tomorrow's bright

Unfruitful while unduty inventure

THE WALL

Not a China Wall
Nor a Berlin one,
But wall between old and new,
Between good and bad.

Between Natural and artificial,
Between aged and lad,
Between humble and crooked,
Between art and science.

Between peasant and urban.
Between peace and violence,
Between black and white,
Between tall and tiny.

In a hut, in a lane,
In a street, in a hamlet,
In a village, in a town,
In a city and in a country smelt.

Not on earth alone,
In the welkin too,
In the air also,
Even in the sea.

The wall with mud,
The wall with brick,
The wall with cement,
The wall with rocks.

The wall with iron,
The wall with steel,
The wall will collapse,
If human brain feel.

A feeling of simplicity,
A feeling of the life uncertainty,
No policy need to force,
Nor constrain hard morse.

Then no need of walls or obstacle,
The people share Nature's cycle.

Dared die once in life not twice in this loam